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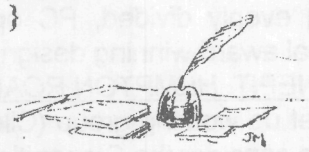

EDITORIAL

The article on Foot and Mouth in last month's issue was widely read and appreciated. The DN appears to reach people and organisations well beyond the Parish boundary. For this issue, Molly and John Neild have phoned half officialdom, trying to discover the current F. and M. status of our footpaths.
The DN is 25 years old in September. We propose to celebrate by installing a DTP programme (see April issue). We also wanted to give something back to the lively and kindly Parish whose activities we record. Research by Dr. Chris Day and others suggests that the information currently displayed on the lectern at the Castle Grounds needs both updating and expanding. We talked to the Parish Council, who own the land, and to English Heritage who manage the site, historically speaking. As a result we have commissioned a new information lectern from English Heritage. The lectern will be installed in September. To mark this event we are organising a Poetry Competition, on the subject of Castles, open to everyone in Deddington, Clifton and Hempton. You'll find details of the competition on page 9. Please tap, type or write and send us a citadel of verse.
Two self-referential paragraphs. Apologies. On to other Parish news. Very warm congratulations to Senior Guide, Heather Doole, on gaining her Baden-Powell Trefoil Award. Sheena Hughes announces extended opening hours for the Post Office. P.C. Bob Donohue's Police Report contains very good news, some sound advice and a reminder that the Market Place Office is there for all of us. Charles Newey writes about the possibility of a Deddington Farmers' Market and DoL plans a Triennial Review, open to all interested parishioners. If you are a woman and lived in Deddington during the Second World War, Moira Byast and the History Society would like to hear from you. Donald Lane proposes a new edition of last year's innovative MADD week concert.
The Parish has most generously supported the Friends of Deddington Library's fund-raising activities. The final event is the Choros concert, *All Creatures Great and Small*. Choros is giving its services free, local businesses are sponsoring the event (to cover production costs) and all we need now is a large audience, aged 6 to 96, eager to listen and, we gather, to join in ! Kristin Thompson.

N.B. Diary dates for <u>June DN</u> to Jean Flux by Wednesday May 16.
After that, please send to Editor.

Fridays: Coffee morning in aid of Katharine House, Parish Church, 10 – 12..
Fridays: Babies and Toddler Group, Windmill Centre, 9.30 - 11.30 am.
Fridays: British Legion, Prize Bingo and " Play Your Cards Right" at 8 pm

MAY DIARY

Tue	1	Song Circle meets at Old Bakehouse, New Street. 7.30 pm. (p 6)
Wed	2	Friendship Club, Quiz or Whist Drive , Windmill Centre, 2.30 pm. (p 6)
Wed	2	Deddington Ladies, Holly Tree, 8 pm.
Wed	2	Annual Parish Meeting, Windmill Centre, 7.30 pm.
Thu	3	Art Group, Town Hall, 10 – 12.30 pm. & 1.30 – 4 pm. **Every Thurs.** (p.6)
Sat	5	British Legion Club Bazaar, Holly Tree, 2 pm.
Sun	6	Clifton Millennium Map installation. Castle Antiques, Clifton, 3 pm. (p.12)
Tue	8	W I: Resolutions meeting – W I adviser, Mrs Lynda Conway, Holly Tree, 7.30 pm.
Tue	8	Windmill Centre AGM, Windmill Centre, 7.30 pm
Wed	9	Deddington History Society: talk on Aynhoe Park by Nick Allen, Windmill, 7.30 pm. (p.7)
Wed	9	PTA Ladies' Night, Windmill Centre, 7.30 pm. (p.3)
Sat	12	Deddington History Society day-school on Deddington Castle. Windmill, 9.30 am.
Sat	12	British Legion Club, *Moose* (Live music), 8.45 pm.

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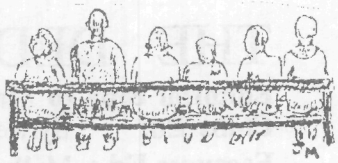
DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



Note of meeting on 18 April 2001, Town Hall

Attended by Cllrs Flux (chair), Bell, Clarke, Clinch, Cosgrove, Cox, Davies, Haslam, Hill, Newey, Swash, Todd, the Clerk, C/Cllr Matthews, D/Cllr O'Sullivan and 4 members of the public.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

PC received 6 replies to questionnaire on whether residents wanted boundary with Hempton Road to be hedged or open. Opinion being evenly divided, PC opted to stay with original award-winning design, ie hedged.

STONEPIT, HEMPTON ROAD

PC set up working group (Cllrs Bell, Cosgrove, Hill) to consider the Stonepit's future and report back on options. Gloucester Land Registry has received PC's application to register ownership. Mr Middleditch has provided another copy of his letter to PC [see pages 13 and 2, April issue of DN]. This copy is now on file.

CLOSED SESSIONS

Cllrs emphasised that PC meetings should normally be held in open session, although in exceptional circumstances particular agenda items may be considered in closed session. Principles on which such a decision would be made are to be defined..

NEWS IN BRIEF

- Cllrs agreed that the Deddington Millennium Map is an enhancement for visitors to the parish.
- Weedkilling to be carried out "in every street in all 3 villages".
- PC thanked all who took part in the recent parking audit. Results are being analysed.
- ORCC grants up to £5,000 are available for village projects. Clerk to investigate.
- There is no upper age limit for parish councillors or Chairmen.
- The Clerk's conditions of service were amended in line with current best practice.
- Windmill Centre AGM 8 May.
- Daily rate for hire of Town Hall raised to £15. Hourly rate unaffected.
- Further consultations needed on possible BMX track/skate park.
- Litter Blitz to be organised in advance of Best Kept Village judging.

A-BOARDS AND ALL THAT

PC is divided on what to do about A-boards and other free-standing advertising signs around the parish. Should there be a total ban? a free-for-all? guidelines? controls? self-regulation? Is the legal position fully understood? PC to canvass public opinion before coming to a decision.

CASTLE GROUNDS

The whole approach, from the main road to beyond the gate, is a quagmire. Clerk to obtain quotes for laying down gravel.

PLANNING

Provided neighbours agree, PC no objections

(i) *Park Farm, New Street, Deddington* – renewal of permissions.

(ii) *23 The Daedings* , *Deddington* – porch and single-storey rear extension.

(iii) *Grove Lodge Barn, Deddington* – minor amendments to previous application.

PC expressed concern that

(a) there has been no response from CDC on *Tays Cottage/Bullring Cottage* question [see page 2, April issue DN].

(b) CDC chief executive disagrees with PC objections to unacceptable alterations to the former *Deddington Salerooms*.

(c) *St James's Farm, Clifton*, has fallen into disrepair and is fast deteriorating.

COSY LANE SKIP

Siting and times of Cosy Lane skip are under review. PC asks parishioners not to overload the skip or leave loose rubbish about as this ruins the environment for those living nearby.

MORE NEWS IN BRIEF

- PC to press contractors to reinstate High Street footpath between traffic lights and The Tchure.
- Streetlamp recently installed in The Paddocks is positioned where OCC Highways Department want it.
- Application to hold Art Exhibition 22-25 November, Town Hall, has been received.

PARISH FINANCES

Invoices passed for payment totalled £4,057, including £1,704.42 Inland Revenue for Income Tax and NHI, and £870 J Boss for grass cutting.

Investments totalled £555,625.79, of which £19,970 Bradford & Bingley @ 5.3% on 120 days; £4,680.30 @ 3% on 14 days; £505,277.47 West Bromwich @ 5.85% + £24,453.03 @ 1.8% + £744.99 @ 1.85%, all overnight; £500 current.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The APM on 2 May will have taken place before the May issue of *The Deddington News* comes out. PC to publicise APM in other ways, such as a notice board in the Market Place.

Next Meeting: AGM 16 May, T Hall, 7.30pm.

Official minutes of PC meetings may be seen at the Clerk's office and the Library, on noticeboards in Deddington, Clifton and Hempton, and on the village website www.deddington.org.uk/pcminutes

SCHOOL NEWS

I hope you all enjoyed the Easter holidays. The last three weeks of the spring term brought a number of exciting events. Once again, Mrs. Moore's School Book Fair was a great success and the school was able to buy around £600 of books with the commission earned.

Our Year 2 children took part in *The Pied Piper of Hamelin*, with other Warriner Partnership children, at Bloxham Primary School and later performed for their own parents in Deddington.

Our Years 3 and 4 entertained school governors, family and friends with their musical version of *Rumpelstiltskin and the Frog Prince*. This was a performance fit for the London stage, brilliantly produced and choreographed by Mr. Callery and Mrs. Sargant.

Following the Revd. Dr. White's Induction, we were pleased to represent the school at his first Mothering Sunday Service and to welcome him to our Easter Assembly in the Parish Church.

Finally, I hope we did not cause too many accidents or concern on the last day of term as motorists and villagers took a 'double take' when passing the school. Staff and pupils experienced their first 'Bad Hair' day, to raise funds for the PTA. The two 'best/worst' styles, judged by the children, earned their hairdressers the first chocolate egg of the season. LYNNE STEPHENS 338430

... and from the PTA

We are holding another **Ladies Night at the Windmill Centre on Wed. May 9th. 7.30 – 10.30 pm.** Tickets, £3 , can be bought in advance from the School Office and Deddington Post Office.

All ladies of 16 plus are invited. There are treatments, demonstrations, advice on health, beauty, hair, alternative therapies, also interior design, body painting, gifts and more. There is a bar (essential for a girls' night out !) a fantastic raffle and tombola. Come along for a very enjoyable evening. We look forward to seeing you.

Co Chairs: TANYA CHADWICK 01869 33888948
HELEN COOKE 01295 816049

DEDDINGTON PRE-SCHOOL

Last term the children raised £31.78 for Comic Relief. Activities included red nose painting, wearing red clothes and for the really brave,"pants over trousers" !

The rain held off for our Easter Bunny Hunt, proceeds of which will go towards improving our garden area.

The end of term means "Goodbyes". We wish Annabel Burkill, Bronwen Cooke, Lewis Foster, Ellie-Mae Gardner, Jessica Holmes, Joshua Kaye, Alex Mohajeri, Nathan Moorjani, William Preece and Alistair Ravie all well at their new schools.

This term we welcome 11 new children – Daniel Brady, Emma Brody, Chloe and Marcus Cooper, Ellie-Mae Cowley, James Foster, Isaac Rolfe, Georgia Shepherd, Lauren Smith, Jessie Spengler and Lisa Whitehead. We hope you all enjoy your time with us.

For Pre-School enquiries contact: AMANDA MUNSON and SARAH WRIGHT 337383

HANDY PERSON NEEDED 1 day per week at Deddington Primary School and 1 day at Christopher Rawlins Primary School, Adderbury. Hours can be flexible, e.g. two half days at each school. Rate: £6.11 per hour during school terms.

We need someone to replace door handles and light bulbs, put up shelves, clear gutters, mend fencing etc. Also to alert us to more urgent jobs.

In addition, you would enjoy being around young people and possess a sense of humour. In return we offer a friendly and supportive working environment. Please contact: **Lynne Stephens 01869 338430 or Rose McCready 01295 810497.**

WOMEN OF DEDDINGTON IN WORLD WAR 11

Deddington and District History Society is attempting to record the lives of women in Deddington during WW11. We need the help of anyone who spent all, or part of, the period 1939 to 1945, living in the village. All first-hand experience is of use, however trivial you may think it.

We hope to include memories of school, home, changes that the War brought to ordinary lives, fathers in the Forces, evacuees, Make Do & Mend, wartime recipes and food, troops and others billeted in the village, wives managing alone. Everything is grist to our mill and worth recording.

If you have relevant memories and don't mind having them included, please contact: **MOIRA BYAST, 5 THE LANE, HEMPTON. Tel: 01869 338637**

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CHURCH AND CHAPEL

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May Services (Parish Church)
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Wed 2 10am. Eucharist
Thu. 3 2pm. Squeals and Wheels (Prams & Toddlers Service)
Sun 6 10 30am. Family Service
Wed 9 10 am. Eucharist
Sun 13 10.30pm. Eucharist (Christian Aid Week)
Mon 14 6 pm. Eucharist. St. Matthew the Apostle.
Wed 16 10am. Eucharist
Sun 20 8 am. Holy Communion (BCP) 10.30am. Rogation Day Service at Barford St. Michael Church.
Wed 23 10 am. Eucharist
Sun 27 10.30 am. Sung Eucharist
Wed 30 10 am. Eucharist
Thu 31 6 pm. Eucharist. Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth.
May Services (St John, Hempton)
Sun 6 and 20 9am. Eucharist
Thur 24 8 pm. Eucharist for Ascension Day
Sun 27 6 pm. Evensong (BCP)

Bible Study Home Group Meetings
Tue May 1 7.30 pm. for 8 pm. at 2 The Leyes
Wed May 2 and 23 7.30pm. for 8 pm. at Boulderdyke, Clifton.

Mothers' Union Meeting.
Fri May 11 2.15pm. at Mallards, New Street (Betty Caporn).

The Church Club meets every Monday in **term time** at the Primary School, 3.15–4pm.

On Palm Sunday, April 8, we said farewell to our Curate, the Revd. David Nicol, and his family, and thanked him for all their help and support over the last three years. Vivien Pleydell-Bouverie gave them all our best wishes and presented David with a cheque and a beautiful inscribed plate. David is to be Vicar of Longnor. (Induction: April 28).

If you wish to enquire about baptisms, weddings, hospital or home visits in case of illness, or wish to discuss any other church matters, please get in touch with our Vicar, Revd. Dr. Hugh White: 28, Duns Tew 01869 349869.

At the PCC Annual Meeting of Parishioners on Wednesday April 24, George Fenemore and Ray Sones were confirmed as Churchwardens.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

FUNERALS:	Feb. 20	W.M. SPIERS
	Mar 13	BETTY TAYLOR
	Apr. 23	ROSALIE WINCER
WEDDING	Mar. 31	TIMOTHY BOUCHER to ANNA WOOD
BAPTISMS	Mar 4	RACHEL HOLLY TINDALE at St. John's. Hempton
	Mar 11	BARLEY CALCUTT
	Mar 18	SHARNA MARIE ROSE

DEDDINGTON WESLEYAN REFORM CHURCH, Chapel Square

First Wednesday of the month **May 2** 7.30pm. Taizé prayer in the Church.7.30pm. On the other 3 Wednesdays there will be Fellowship and Bible Study, 7.30pm. at The Manse, 3 Castle Street.
The preacher on **Sundays 6, 18 and 20 May** is Pastor Walton. **May 27** John Neale

Pastor ISSY WALTON (337157)

DEDDINGTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, New Street. Secretary Joyce Minnear Tel: 338529

A warm welcome awaits you. **May** Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Preachers as follows:
Sun 6 Rev. A.B. Fox **Sun 13** Mr. J. Neal **Sun 20** Pastor I. Walton
Sun 27 Rev. Norman Bonnet **Sun June 3** Rev. A.B. Fox

Rev. ALBERT FOX (345339)

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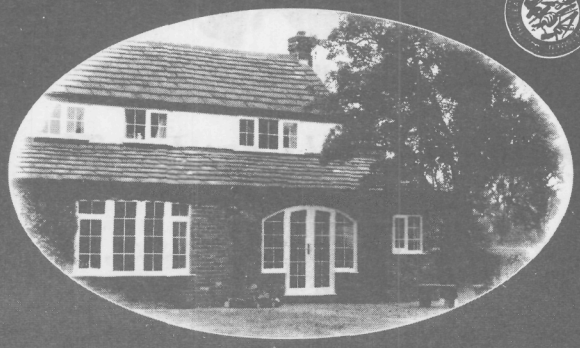

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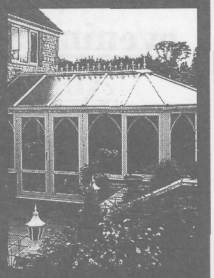

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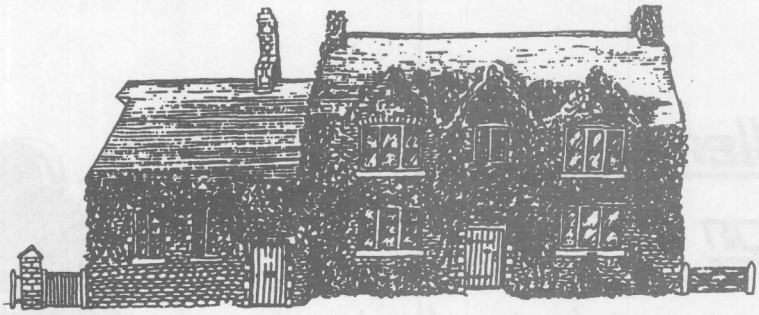

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TRIBUTE

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Rosalie spent her professional working life providing motherly care for children educated in the special residential schools where she and Derrick worked in partnership from their marriage in 1942. Initially she was Assistant Matron at Wendover House. She and Derrick then moved to Shenstone Lodge and on to Nazeing Park, where Rosalie was Senior Childcare Officer and Derrick, Headmaster. They came to Deddington on retirement. Rosalie's rapport with children remained. Even when housebound and unable to move much, she employed her skills with needle and with knitting and neighbourhood children who still enjoyed visiting her, rarely left empty handed. We send our sympathy to Derrick and family. JEAN FLUX

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GLEANINGS FROM THE PAST – PARISH AND DEANERY MAGAZINES

The joy of researching these old magazines lies in finding snippets of information which connect the Parish of Deddington, Clifton and Hempton with our history. The Revd. Thomas Boniface, writing the obituaries of worthy parishioners more than 100 years ago, occasionally touches on such connections.

"HANNA PARISH who fell asleep at Clifton on July 11th. (1888) at the advanced age of 91 years, was the widow of the late William Parish, a Waterloo Veteran !" *(Battle of Waterloo, 1815. Napoleon defeated by allied forces under Duke of Wellington.)*

ALBAN SALMON, New Street, aged 70 years .. "whom God called away on August 28th. (1888) was an excellent man of business and, what he undertook, he did thoroughly. He filled the office of Parish Churchwarden and was an advocate and supporter of what was for the benefit and improvement of both people and the place. He was very anxious to see the town thoroughly paved, and the East Window of the Parish Church filled with Stained Glass…"

EDWARD WILLIAM TURNER, M.R.C.S.E. & L.S.A. "A great gloom was cast over our Parish and neighbourhood by the sudden removal from amongst us of our highly esteemed Doctor who died at his residence, The Poplars, on Thursday, Sept. 5th. (1889) at the early age of 54…"

WILLIAM FOSTER SPIERS, Castle Street, aged 90 years… "fell asleep on October 6th. (1889). For over half a century he worked for the firm of Messrs. Franklin. During the vicariate of the Rev. Cotton Risley he became Parish Clerk, which office he filled for more than 30 years…"

GEORGE STRANGE HEDGES, Market Place, aged 68 years… "who died after a trying illness on February 12th. (1891). He filled the offices of High Bailiff, Churchwarden and Captain of the Fire Brigade. He was also a member of the Highway Board, a Guardian of the Poor and a Manager of the National Schools, the duties of which he discharged with considerable ability and dignity…"

ANN BIGGS STILGOE. "There fell asleep on February 12th. (1891), at The Grounds, Adderbury, a lady highly respected in Deddington and one who was a regular worshipper in our Church. Her labour of love in decorating our Font for the different Festivals and the skill which she displayed in that work, will be long and gratefully remembered." RUTH JOHNSON

(Are there photographs extant of any of these worthies ? I have a very clear mental picture of George Strange Hedges…. Ed.)

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DEDDINGTON CHARITY ESTATES - VACANCY

One of the Almshouses belonging to Deddington Charity Estates in Church Street, Deddington, will shortly become vacant and the Trustees invite applications from suitable persons for the tenancy. Applicants must be 60 years of age or over and preference will be given to persons who have associations with this area. Anyone interested who can satisfy these requirements is invited to submit a written application to the Clerk to the Trustees: **W. F. M. Hunt, Mayfield, Earls Lane, Deddington OX15 OTJ**

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Message from Mr.Tony Baldry following his visit to The Holly Tree, Deddington, on March 31st. 2001: "My visit to Deddington was a very useful opportunity to meet local people over a cup of coffee and hear about local concerns such as: housing pressures in the area, what is going to happen to the Post Office etc. – and I look forward to another visit."

(The light refreshments suplied during the morning raised £12. This sum has been donated to Sobel House Hospice, Oxford.)

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1st DEDDINGTON CUBS During last term's varied activities, the cubs earned the Home Help badge (much to the amazement of most mothers!) and the Communicator badge which involved morse code, semaphore and secret codes. To complement this we went to Bletchley Park for the day, the most enjoyable parts being the model trains, a room full of computers and the German army re-enactment group. Other badges included Book Reader, Adventure Awards and Buddy Badges (for those who introduced new children to the pack).
We lost Robert and Iain to Scouts, but new cubs include Philip, Lewis, Tama, James and Nicola.
We entered several competitions: District Chess, Supercub (second) and District Football (fourth in our league), and were very proud of the way everyone performed and behaved. In March our team won the District Activity Day competition so we are the proud keepers of an impressive trophy. The team will represent the district in the county event in October.
Red Nose evening was a great success: we decorated cakes, played 'nosey' games and raised £16 by wearing pants on our heads for the whole meeting. As I write, we look forward to the St George's Day parade and, now the camp site at Horley has been re-opened, to cub camp in May. **JO CHURCHYARD 338071**

DEDDINGTON BEECHES BOWLS CLUB Our season begins with an away match against Banbury Borough on May 8; however, our weekly Club Nights start on May 2 from 6 pm, when any aspiring or lapsed bowlers would be very welcome. We are holding a Cake/Plant Sale under the Town Hall on June 2 from 9-11 am. From 10.30 am, June 16, an Open Day is planned when we hope as many of you as possible will come and try your hand. More about this next month. **YVONNE TWOMEY 337213**

ART GROUP There were some new faces at the last meeting. Come a little early if you want to set up an easel but there is plenty of room for seated artists: each Thursday, 10 am-12.30 pm and 1.30-4 pm, Town Hall, £5 per session (untutored) to cover rent and model's fee. A warm welcome from fellow artists of all abilities. Please contact us if you are interested in sitting for 'life' or 'portrait'.
ANNETTE MURPHY 337318 or FRANK PALMER 01608-659330

FRIENDSHIP CLUB Our thanks to the Committee for arranging a very happy and enjoyable Easter lunch. Afterwards we had a competition for the best decorated trinket box, members working in fours; the winners won Easter eggs. On April 18 we welcomed a team of carpet bowlers from Barford for a return match. Again, scoring was close, the visitors winning on the last bowl. On May 2 we are holding a quiz or whist drive. We meet at the Windmill Centre 2.30-4.30 pm alternate Tuesdays. Visitors welcome. **GWEN BOND 337354**

DEDDINGTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
1st Team Results

Bodicote (h)	Won 5-4	*Cropredy(a)*	Lost 1-4
Wroxton(h)	Lost 1-6	*Wroxton(a)*	Lost 0-1

The highlight without doubt was the stunning victory over title-chasing Bodicote. This included a sensational goal from Chris Smith, scoring from the half way line. In the away game at Wroxton, despite dominating the whole match, the team was unable to recover from conceding a first minute goal. With only a few games to go the aim is to avoid finishing bottom of the Premier Division. Success can still be achieved in the Dave Wood Cup where a semi-final awaits. **STEVE PLUMBE 01295-278258**

DEDDINGTON BABIES AND TODDLERS GROUP The Committee met at the end of March to plan the summer's activities. At the session on May 18 there will be various stalls selling children's clothes, books and gifts. On May 25 we will have a visit from the Playbus. The summer trip will be on July 6, probably to Hatton Country World. Other plans in the pipeline include a teddy bears' picnic, another Mums' night out, and a group newsletter – watch this space! Come along any Friday, 9.30-11.30 am at the Windmill Centre; we don't stop for school holidays and older siblings are welcome to join us at these times. **LUCY SQUIRES 338442**

SONG CIRCLE We continue to enjoy ourselves singing rounds, folk songs and light popular pieces around the piano. We start with a chat, discuss what we want to sing and then do it! If you would like to join us, there's no audition; just turn up on the first and third Tuesday of each month, 7.30 pm at Elizabeth Reed's house as previously. We still sing like no one's listening .... and love it! **ANNETTE MURPHY 337318**

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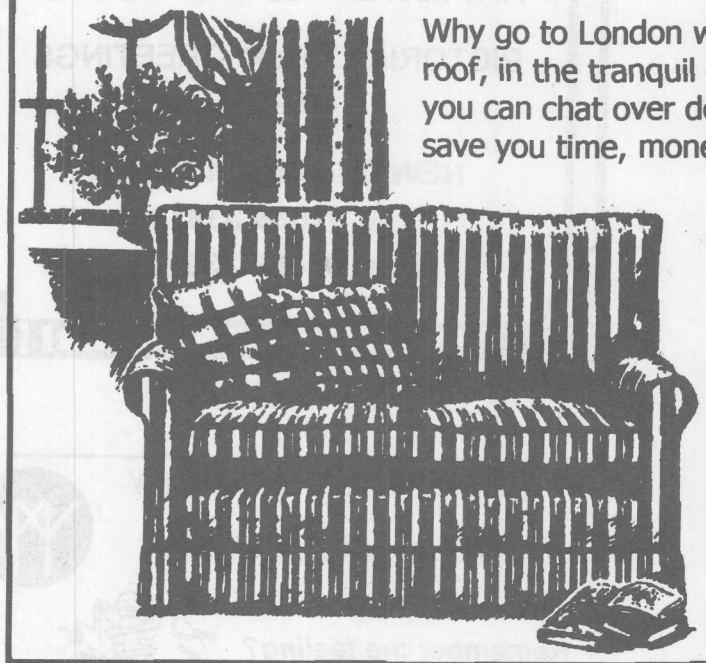

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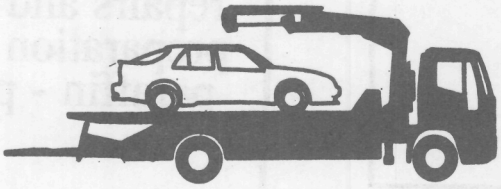

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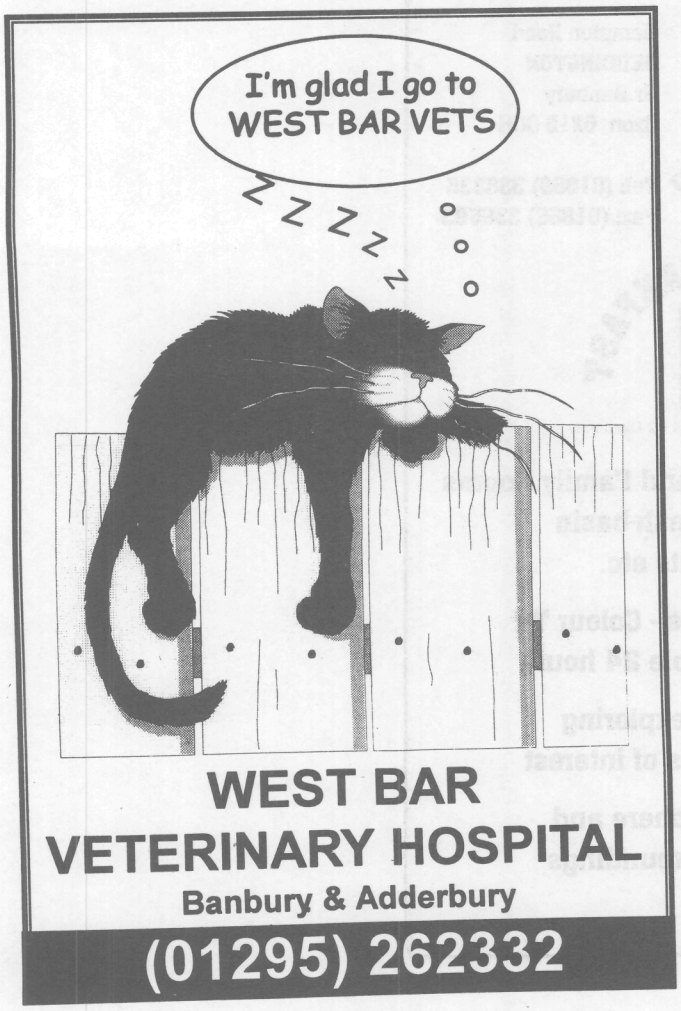

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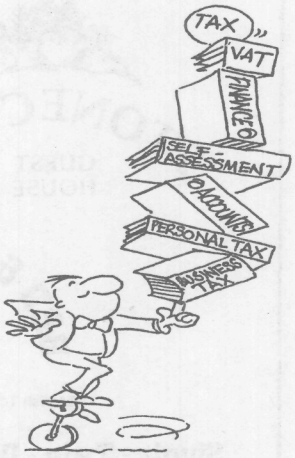

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Calling All Clubs contd.

DEDDINGTON CRICKET CLUB It will have all started on April 29, our new season of league – friendly and junior – cricket. We were at home against Uffington in the first round of the Inter Village knockout – a full turn-out of spectators expected. Anything upwards of six if it were sunny! We were also away against Enstone, but hoped the all -weather pitch would not be necessary. On Sunday morning our Under-13s were up against Brackley. Monthly reports of our progress will begin in the next DN.
We hope those who came enjoyed our first Quiz Night of the year at the Duke of Cumberland's Head on April 22. More will follow within the parish. Please support our Bottle Stall plus other goodies on May 26, 10 am-noon under the Town Hall. If you are interested in joining the Cricket Club come and meet us there. We look forward to seeing you at matches and social events. **TERRY CLINCH 338711**

DEDDINGTON W. I. Our expected speaker was unable to come on April 10 due to a double booking, but we were very fortunate to have Maria Huff talk to us about the history and benefits on health and well being of Shiatsu. Many complaints from headaches, insomnia and anxiety to general tiredness, etc, may be helped by this form of alternative medicine, as an increasing number of people are becoming aware. Maria's talk was of much interest; we thank her for coming at short notice and hope to see her again.
On May 19 we will have a Cake and Produce Stall in the Market Place from about 9.30-11 am; produce goes very quickly. The coach for Southsea on Tue. August 14 is becoming booked up, so please get in touch if family and friends wish to join us. Cost is £10. **RENE MAHONY 338438**

DEDDINGTON COLTS FOOTBALL CLUB The hard work of a small band of volunteers has brought enjoyment to nearly 90 children from the local area. We have six teams ranging from Under-8s to Under-12s playing in the Witney league. Considering all the team managers are 'just Dads' our teams have generally done well – most finishing in the bottom half of their leagues but not in the dreaded 'relegation zone'. Our Under-10s have been very successful, winning the league and securing a place in the cup final against Witney Vikings on April 28. Let's hope we can report a victory in the next DN. On our away travels we are heartened to hear spectators' comments such as 'what a nice bunch of kids', a happy reflection of our philosophy: to bring enjoyment to local children and channel their boundless energy into something positive. Everyone involved is looking forward to the annual Presentation at the Windmill Centre on June 16. Recent results are:

Under 8 Colts *Launton:* Lost 1-0 home **Under 9 Colts and Under 9 Hawks** No fixtures

Under 10 Colts *Highfield:* Won 4-0 away in the cup (Ollie Poole, Sam Rollason, Luc Thornton 2); *Tower Hill Stripes* Won 8-1 away in the cup (Jack Davies, Sam Rollason 2, Luc Thornton 5); *Mortonville Hawks*: Won 2-0 home (Luc Thornton 2)

Under 11 Colts *Mortonville Stars* Won 2-0 home (Tom Rodgers 2); *Witney Viking Sports:* Lost 4-0 home; *Kingston:* Lost 6-2 away, home venue n/a (Tom Rodgers, Jordan Kaye); *Mortonville Stars:* Won 7-3 away (Chris Wood, Jordan Kaye, Tom Rodgers, Alistair Worrell 2, Alex Martin 2)

Under 12 Colts *Eynsham Royals:* Lost 6-2 away (Jack Thornton, Richie Topliseck); *Chesterton Juniors:* Won 8-2 away (Richie Topliseck 3, Jack Thornton 5).

DAVID ROLLASON 337351 or **07850-365508**

DEDDINGTON & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY At our April meeting John Leighfield gave us a brief history of English mapmaking, using Oxfordshire in general and Deddington in particular for examples. For the remainder of the meeting we were privileged to study his remarkable collection of Oxfordshire maps, some not to be found even in the Bodleian Library's collection. We garnered useful information and noted several pointers for further research, e.g. the dating of the windmill which has given the Windmill Centre its name.
On May 9 (Windmill Centre, 7.30 pm) Nick Allen will talk to us about the history and architecture of Aynhoe Park. Our June meeting, on Wednesday 13, will be a visit to Aynhoe Park. Tickets, to include guided tour and wine, are available at £8.50 a head from Moira Byast (338637). Tickets are limited and sold on a 'first come, first served' basis. The June meeting will be our last until we start again on September 12. On Wed, May 16 (7 pm at the Town Hall) we shall host a visit by the Woodstock Society. Members are asked to come and socialise with our guests. The quid pro quo will be a guided tour of Woodstock for us in the future. **CHRIS DAY 337204**

MONDAY MORNING CLUB Our May coffee morning will be on on Monday 14 because May 7 is a public holiday. This will be the AGM. It will be your last opportunity to collect tickets for *West Side Story* and *Twelfth Night.* Bus departure from the Market Place will be 6.30 pm for *West Side Story,* 6 pm for *Twelfth Night.* The June coffee morning will be on Monday 4 at the usual time. **JEAN FLUX 338153**

Calling all clubs contd.

1st DEDDINGTON GUIDES We completed last term's activities in grand style. Our variety and fashion show was watched by an enthusiastic audience who helped us raise almost £60; £30 for a breast cancer charity and £30 to support our own Lynsey Eastwood's visit to an international camp in Denmark. After the show we held a Promise Ceremony and then Mrs Vivien Bouverie presented our Senior Guide Heather Doole with her Baden-Powell Trefoil Award, the highest award to be gained as a guide. We are all very proud of her. To gain it Heather earned a variety of badges including Deaf Awareness, Agility, First Aid, Emergency Helper and Map Reader. She also gained her Patrol Camp permit which involved taking some younger guides for a practice then test camp week-end; for each Heather had to do all the planning. A fine achievement all round.
We were pleased to attend the Mothering Sunday Service in Deddington and St George's Day Parade in Banbury. Now we're looking forward to an exciting term of activities, hopefully outside as much as possible. Our first meeting this term will include a planning meeting with patrol leaders.

MAGGIE RAMPLEY 01295-810069 GLYNNIS EASTWOOD 01869-337021

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LOST : A navy blue guide badge ribbon, bearing three badges and with a pin at the back, was lost after the Mothering Sunday Service in Deddington. It is of great personal value to its owner, Maggie Rampley. If you have found it or remember seeing something like it, please get in touch with her at 01295-810069

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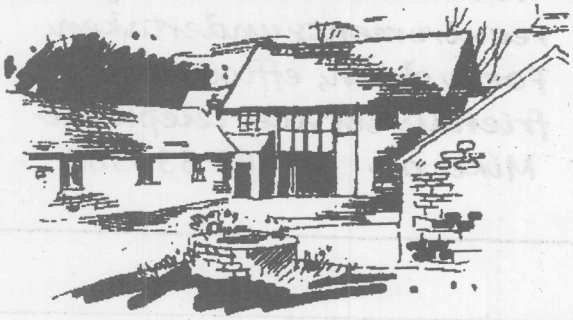

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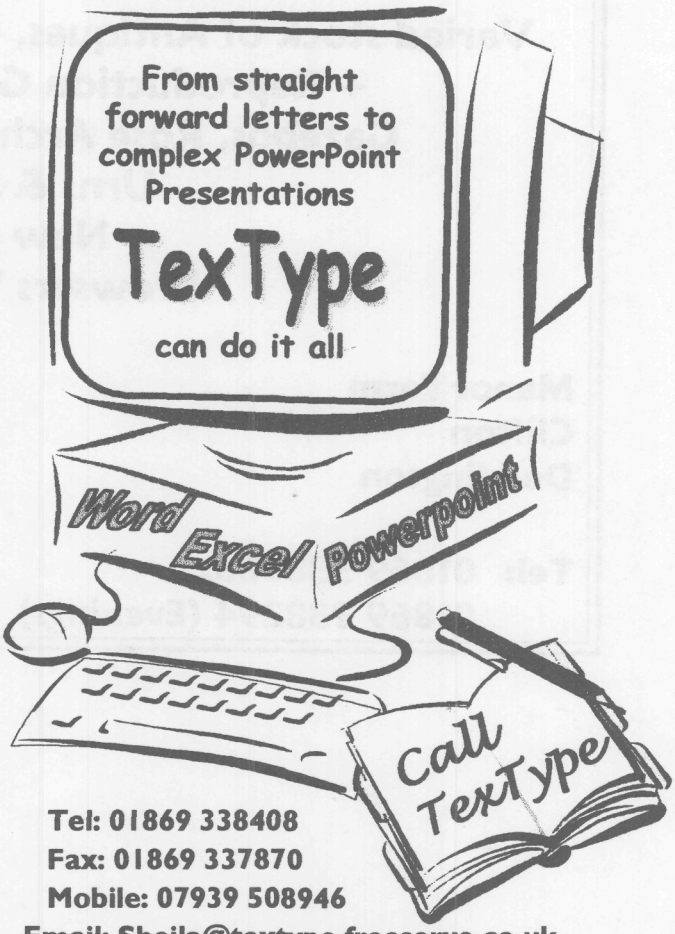

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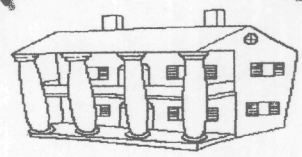

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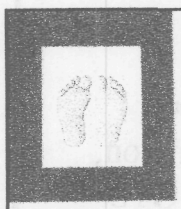

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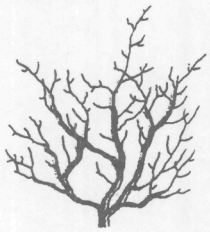

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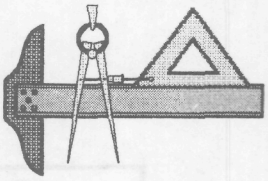

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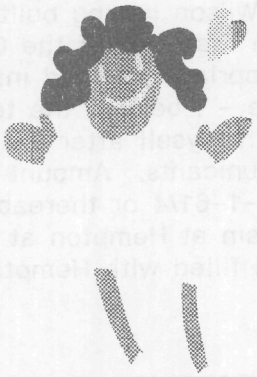

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ON THE FARM

At last the foot and mouth outbreak seems to be slowing down with some counties now being declared disease-free, but it will be a long time before the countryside is back to normal. With so much of the livestock industry now in ashes, farming will take many years to recover, if it can. The devastating effects of the disease are bad enough on their own but combined with the confused, bungling, shambolic devasting machinations of inadequate pen-pushers the whole country has been pushed into a devastating disaster of epic proportions. Our meat export markets have been destroyed, replacement breeding stock will be very hard to find and very expensive and the arable sector, already badly mauled by the weather, will have less animals to feed. We are constantly being told by the press of the effects on the tourist trade, but the tourist industry in the countryside is dependent on farming, as it is farming, especially livestock farming, that has created the scenery and the flora and fauna that the visitors come to see. The experts tell us that the rapid spread of the disease was the result of the large scale movement of livestock around the country. This may be true but it should also be said that the over-zealous enforcement of hygiene, welfare and health and safety regulations has closed down many small abattoirs and livestock markets, leaving just a few large scale operations many miles apart.
With the recent dry weather we have been able to get on with some of the field work and the crops are beginning to improve, so there just might be something worth harvesting. The lambing went well with a high 'turn-out' percentage but with the combination of the blackthorn winter and wet ground conditions we lost a few lambs. Most years we have one or two lambs taken by the fox, but this year, due to the flooding and foot-and-mouth, the fox hounds have not been able to come on to the farm and we have had 18 lambs killed and just left with the head taken off. The culprits were apprehended red-pawed and the error of their ways explained to them.
So life down on the farm is not very happy at the moment, but all is not lost and as they say, hope springs eternal. The swallows have returned and are busy sorting out their nest sites in the old buildings but sadly the old girl that has nested in the bee shed for the last 3 years has not come back yet. I hope she does. I know her as she has a white primary feather on her left wing.

GEORGE FENEMORE 338203.

THE WAY WE WERE Deddington 150 years ago by Buffy Heywood

Extracts from the diaries of the Rev. Cotton Risley for the month of May 1851

5th MAY - We started by the first train, Susan, Holford, Willy and myself for London to see the Great Crystal Palace and the Exhibition of all Nations - to which I went two days and Susan and the boys three days. It far surpassed all my previous conceptions of it, I consider it as "The Wonder of Wonders". I called on poor Robert Franklin 3 times at his lodgings where he had undergone the operation of crushing the stone in the bladder under the influence of chloroform. He was going on well but probably would have to be operated on a second time (which he was on the 12th May).
15th MAY - Sent a note to Mr. Sandon about our boys and the Cricket Club - Holford to be a Patron, the others subscribers.
17th MAY - I bought a brazen alms dish for Hempton Church - beautifully wrought.
29th MAY - Ascension Day, a most beautiful day. Susan and I drove to Hempton to be present at the opening of the new Church there - Dr. Wilson having built it for his eldest son, the Vicar of Banbury. The Dr. read prayers, I read the first part of the Communion Service - his son William preached the sermon, a good and appropriate one and intelligible to his hearers, 1st Epistle of St. John, 3rd Chapter, 2nd verse - I believe the text was taken from. The Dr., his two sons William and Francis, together with myself after the sermon assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion to 49 communicants. Amount of collection at the offertory towards future endowment of the Church £13-1-61/4 or thereabouts. The thing passed off well on the whole. There was a service again at Hempton at ½ past 6 o'clock this evening - we did not go thinking the Church should be filled with Hempton people and others who were unable to be there in the morning.

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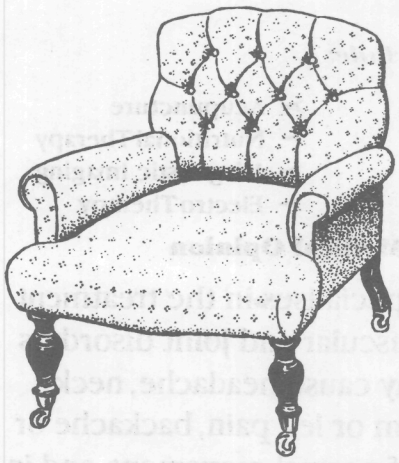

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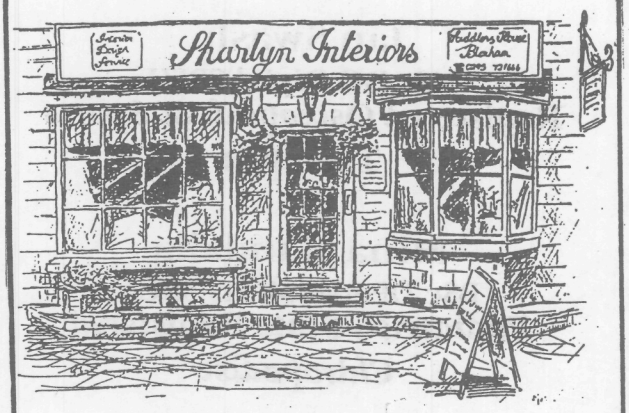

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DEDDINGTON MAP GROUP

John Leighfield's talk to the History Society was a brilliantly clear summary of key stages in the development of printed maps. He showed us many examples of the beauty and skill of early makers of county maps, some of which included simplified street plans of Deddington. John Ogilby's strip map of 1675 shows the main road going through the Market Place. A century later, Jeffreys has New Street as the primary route. As far as I know the earliest detailed street map of Deddington is the 1808 plan, from a survey "in the possession of Messrs Stockton, Sons and Fortescue", represented in Colvin's *A History of Deddington, Oxfordshire* (1963) and the *Victoria County History*. Does anyone know of an earlier, authentic street map of the village?

Norman Stone 338019

GARDENING NOTES

Just for once, vandalise your garden. Go on! Get out there when the Irises are out and pick off a really super bloom. Then take it to pieces and look at it, the shape, the petals, the colours, the furry tongue. Isn't it a marvel? The other day I met a friend in the Market Place. He was carrying an armful of beautiful purple Irises. They were meant for his premises, not for stray old ladies, but he kindly gave me a bunch which gave me pleasure for about a week. All that made me think of the acres of glass, somewhere in Holland, where these blooms are grown for picking which are quite different from those we can grow in our gardens.

The name Iris comes from the Greek word for rainbow and refers to the varieties of colour. We can have Irises with their exquisitely shaped flowers in bloom nearly all the year round and they range from the tinies to giants 3 ft. tall. By February the little Reticulatas are in bloom. At least in other people's gardens they are, I have never had much luck with them. I must have bought hundreds in my time (yellow because they show up better against the dark soil) but they either fail to bloom or die away after the first year. Mice again?

The early Stylosas are also well away by February. They prefer a protective wall and a south-facing position. The leaves are grass-like and look rather messy but should be cut back by half after flowering. The low growing Siberian variety are also early: pale lilac and short. They make a good show in early summer and can manage with very little sunshine, ideal for growing under a tree. Most mixed borders, including mine, have a patch of the tall bearded Iris somewhere, handsome but troublesome. Their flowering time is too short to warrant all that attention. Each flower stalk really needs staking or they lean towards the sun and the man of the house mows them down. However far back I set the rhyzomes, they shuffle themselves towards the edge of the bed. After that you are left with clumps of untidy leaves. Some people treasure these as having an architectural look and providing shape and contrast in a flower bed. I prefer to cut them back and out of the way as soon as I dare. I like the short stubby varieties best, though the yellow Danfordiae are quite wonderful.

MARIANNE ELSLEY

'Is it better in May I ask you? You've summer all at once, In a day he leaps complete with a few strong April suns' Robert Browning.

I've been waiting for the weather to warm up and dry up a bit. Nevertheless although a a very wet day was forecast I made my first visit since ... um ... November to the allotment. I had visions of the plot covered with 'shepherd's purse' but there were a few rather large dandelions, a bit of groundsel and some others which will be easily dealt with as I dig. The top of the soil had quite a crust on it but really was quite easy to turn, so there are three rows of potatoes planted and the raspberry canes and blackberry bushes tidied up. Evidence suggests we have been invaded by rabbits so I hung a few free advertising CDs, hoping they will deter rabbits from burrowing for the potato shoots.

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NEWS FROM HEMPTON

The Quiz Night will be on Friday 18 May at 7.30pm in St. John's Church Hall. Tickets £7.50 per person, including a cooked meal, sweet and tea or coffee. If you require anything stronger, please bring that with you, with glasses. Attendance will be limited to 40 and sold on a first come, first served basis. Contact me for tickets.

The Table Tennis team has finished its season and for the second year running has won the Championship of Division 3 in the Banbury & District League holding off a late challenge from Blessed George Napier School, with Bloxham in third place. So congratulations.

The Easter Vigil Service was held on Saturday 14 April at 9.00pm and not 11.30pm as printed last month, the time being changed by mutual agreement between the Vicar and members of the congregation because the service would not have finished till 1.00am.

More people are needed in the Church for flower arranging, washing, brass cleaning and general cleaning. If you can help please put your name on the rosta on the back of the Church door. Many thanks to all the people who mow the grass verges through the village and to those who look after the planters. Together with the Council contractor for grass cutting, they make the village look nice.

LES CHAPPELL 338054

NEWS FROM CLIFTON

Despite the chilly Spring, the first House Martins have arrived in Clifton and the Larks are in full song. Keep your fingers crossed for a fine day on Sunday 6 May - Bank Holiday weekend - when the ceremony to erect Clifton's Millennium Map will take place on the front lawn of Castle Antiques at 3pm. All Cliftonians are invited and light refreshments will be served. Full details will be circulated nearer the time. Plans for the new foot-path are still under way but no decision has yet been made on its exact position. The County Council has assured the Parish Council that work will not start without prior consultation. The PC has promised to ensure that the rubbish bin in the lay-by on the main road will be emptied regularly - thank you to Linda Davies for raising this at the PC's recent meeting. The future of St. James's Farmhouse is currently being looked into by the District Council. During the school Easter holidays it was good to see so many local children enjoying themselves at Welford's Piece.

JACKIE WILLIAMSON 337128

NEWS FROM DEDDINGTON POLICE OFFICE

The annual reported crime for Deddington, Clifton and Hempton shows a dramatic drop for the year 2000. The total number of crimes recorded by the Police over the 12 month period is 56, compared with 88 during 1999. There has been an 80% drop in burglaries with only 3 recorded and a 50% decrease in thefts with only 7 recorded. There has been a 4% decrease in the amount of criminal damage caused compared with 1999 with 10 incidents recorded. Most of the damage has again been caused around the Windmill Centre.

Car crime is down with 22 offences recorded in 2000. This has halved since 1995 but is still the biggest recorded crime in the country and this Parish. So please do not leave personal belongings in your vehicle. Owners of older cars (pre 1996) should consider additional security systems. It may seem an expensive outlay but is a small cost compared with repair bills and higher insurance premiums, and if your vehicle is stolen and declared a write-off by your Insurance Company they will only pay out a minimum value and not a retail value.

During 2000 13 offences were detected in Deddington, Hempton and Clifton. Please remember that the Police cannot do their job without your assistance. So thank you for your continuing help during 2001. Don't forget that the Office in the Market Place is there for you and we have a variety of helpful literature that is free to all, from protecting your home and car even to what types of plants to grow. You can visit any time we are in (Police car parked outside is a good clue).

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HOUSE MARTIN SURVEY The Banbury Ornithological Society are conducting a survey of house martin nests in this area and I'm covering the kilometre square that includes Deddington (but not Clifton and Hempton). If you spot any house-hunting or house-building martins I'd be grateful if you could let me know. Thanks.

Sylvie Spenceley 338995

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www.deddington.org.uk

Deddington OnLine is arranging a public meeting to review its constitution and work. It is three years since DoL was founded and the Triennial Review will be held at the Crown and Tuns, New Street, Deddington on June 7th at 6:30pm for approximately one hour. All parishioners are welcome to attend and meet the DoL Website Editorial Group. Ample time will be given for discussion on the present and future content of the website. There will also be an opportunity to volunteer as a reader/researcher or offer other forms of assistance. Volunteers may later wish to consider joining the Website Editorial Group. Volunteering is not a prerequisite for attending the meeting. Your attendance and feedback will be the most important contribution you can make.

A public forum is now available at www.deddington.org.uk/forum where you can give your views on the lively debates on car parking, the Deddington Feoffees and the possibility of a Farmers' Market. Alternatively you can introduce a new topic for discussion. Copies of contributions are supplied to the Parish Council for their information. Colin Clark 338064 or Colin.Clark@deddington.net

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What about a Deddington Farmers' Market?

During the last year or so, a number of people have suggested a Farmers' Market and, probably as a result of Foot and Mouth, the idea has now cropped up as a topic on our website forum (www.deddington.org.uk/forum).

The basic feature of a Farmers' Market is that it sells locally produced goods directly to consumers, thereby creating benefits for the producers, consumers and the local community. The name, Farmers' Market, is a bit misleading because it is not limited to farm produce. As long as stallholders have grown, bred, caught, pickled, brewed or baked their goods and they live locally (within 30 miles), anything goes. In addition to traders' stalls, we could have stalls for the WI, Deddington Gardeners, allotmenteers.....

The nearest Farmers' Markets (once a month and at different times) are in Banbury, Bicester, Chipping Norton, Thame and Witney. The number is growing rapidly – approaching 400 in the country at present – and many are in communities the size of Deddington and smaller. Lots of help and information is available on regulations and setting up a market, and there's a very useful website at www.farmersmarkets.net

So, is it worth pursuing? If you think it's a good idea, please let me know. If the response is encouraging, we'll organise a meeting to decide next steps.

CHARLES NEWEY 338282 email: charles.newey@deddington.net

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Friends of Daeda's Wood

There have been quite a few grumpy comments, not to mention a grumpy chalked message '*where are there animals?*' on Daeda's Wood's main gate relating to its continued closure. The animals, of course, are not to be seen when anyone's about. They are the muntjacs which have been enjoying the recent undisturbed calm of the wood and which are no respecter of boundaries. While most of the rest of the parish paths remain closed at the time of writing, as has been agreed by several of our local farmers, it seems irresponsible for us to do otherwise. Sorry; we are as anxious to get in there as anyone. **Sylvie Spenceley 338995**

Stella Marmion sends an intriguing account of listening to "some of the finest blue grass and country music musicians it is possible to meet in the UK." She goes on to recommend, "*The Arrival of the Queen of Sheba,* as played on a guitar", and tells us to "grab a banjo, a mandolin, a fiddle or an autoharp (?)". She also describes a midnight chase after a wasp which was ultimately "set upon by a tooth mug". Later, a German gentleman told Stella that it is forbidden to kill a wasp in Germany as it is a protected species. "Well," says Stella, " this one didn't survive long enough to claim its rights."

Would you like to know where all this was happening? Contact Stella Marmion on 338834. Equally, if you enjoy "having fun with a sewing needle", then also contact Stella, who is Head of the Craft Group.

FROM THE EDITOR'S POSTBAG

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(Correspondents have fallen into the habit of sending e-mail letters to the Managing Editor rather than to the Correspondence Editor. Please make use of Frank Steiner's e-mail address. It will save us all time. Thank you. K.T.)

FROM J. D. WINCER, THE DAEDINGS, DEDDINGTON

Derrick Wincer wishes to thank all who have consoled him with cards, letters and personal contact since his dear wife Rosalie's death on April 17. 12 The Daedings is an open house to anyone who might wish to call, especially those who were present at Rosalie's funeral on St. George's Day and were unable to meet us there after the interment at the cemetery.

FROM MOIRA BYAST, THE LANE, HEMPTON

In a recent letter to the DN about the proliferation of advertising, there was a suggestion that village notice boards should be used more. As I regularly post information on Deddington and District History Society meetings, may I explain the problems of getting information around the villages. Deddington has one village notice board, in the Market Place at a point which is not regularly visited by many people. Any notice posted there would reach a very limited audience. Clifton has no village notice board. Hempton has one with a good glass cover, unfortunately locked and therefore not accessible. Barford St. Michael has at least two.
Rosemary Arnold at the Library is always willing to put up a poster for us. But how do you reach a wide audience, apart from using the DN ? How do you catch the "passing trade" ? Advertising in local papers is very expensive for small societies. Deddington needs more notice boards in places where people can see them... on the way to School, near the Co-op, close to the Surgery. With more legitimate places to advertise, maybe the fly posting will stop.

FROM DAVID ROLLASON, DEDDINGTON COLTS' MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, DEDDINGTON

Deddington Colts' Management Committee would like to comment on the *Parish Council Notes* that appeared in last month's DN.
Deddington Colts have never refused offers of help from the PC or anyone else. We are all volunteers and welcome all the help we can get ! We have never claimed we have a 'right' to the use of the Deddington Town FC pitch. We simply feel that to safeguard the long-term future of the Colts we have a legitimate claim to extended use of the Windmill playing fields – not only for the current 86 children in the Club but also to allow for development and provide enjoyment for local children between 6 and 16.
The Colts are currently limited to using the area of the Windmill playing field to the south of the cricket square and then only between the months of October and March. If we cannot find an additional 11 a-side pitch in time for the beginning of the new season next September, this will create severe difficulties for the Club, and could result in Deddington Colts folding.
(The Parish Council has no complaint with what appeared in the DN April Parish Council Notes. Further meetings have been planned between the Deddington Colts and the PC. Ed.)

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FOOT AND MOUTH RESTRICTIONS – Report from Molly and John Neild

Officially the restriction on the movement of animals in Oxfordshire has been relaxed, although Cherwell say that the County is still officially considered a foot and mouth risk area.
Regarding the use of footpaths by the public, the County Council's 'Right of Way' section prepared a Green Notice for individual farmers saying that they may rescind the closure notices if they wish. Several local farmers have exchanged views and have decided that they would prefer the closure notices to remain for the time being. This is because arable land is safe but grasslands hold stock and it is difficult to separate the two. A Green Notice would indicate that a footpath is open - but not necessarily the whole of it. Confusing.
The main advice our farmers would give us is, "Don't go near a field that contains livestock."
This was the situation at the time of going to print. Walkers could try to contact the County Council's Right of Way Dept. (01865 815505) for updates. But the decision by local farmers is probably the best sense we can expect for now !

DROP THE DEBT MARCH IN OXFORD – SATURDAY, MAY 12. From 2 pm.
Anyone interested in participating, please get in touch with the Vicar, 28, Duns Tew (349869) or, for background information, Christopher Hall (338225).

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MAY DIARY

Sun	13	*All Creatures Great and Small,* Choros concert for children, Parish Church, 4.30 pm (p.9)
Mon	14	Monday Morning Club, coffee morning and AGM, Holly Tree, 10 am – noon. (p.7)
Tue	15	Song Circle meets at Old Bakehouse, New Street. 7.30 pm.
Wed	16	Friendship Club: Scrabble Drive/ Bowls, Windmill Centre, 2.30 pm.
Wed	16	Parish Council Meeting, Town Hall, 7.30 pm.
Wed	16	Deddington History Society hosts Woodstock Society. Starting Town Hall, from 7 pm. (p.7)
Fri	18	Hempton Quiz Night. St. John's Church Hall 7 30pm. (p.12)
Sat	19	WI cake and produce stall in the Market Place, 9.30 – 11am. (p.7)
Sat	19	*Music in the Air,* concert arranged by Donald Lane of Deddington, Parish Church, 7.30 pm. (p.9)
Sat	19	British Legion Club: *Motion* (Live music), 8.45 pm.
Tue	22	**COPY DATE FOR JUNE DEDDINGTON NEWS.**
Sat	26	Deddington Cricket Club Bottle Stall, Market Place, 10am – noon. (p.7)
Sat	26	British Legion Club: *Chuckletruck* (Live music), 8.45 pm
Wed	30	Friendship Club: Travel talk by Mrs Grundy, Windmill Centre, 2.30 pm
Wed	30	Monday Morning Club: Bus for *West Side Story* leaves Market Place at 6.30 pm.

JUNE DIARY

Sat	2	Deddington Beeches Bowls Club cake/plant stall in the Market Place, 9 – 11 am. (p.6)
Mon	4	Monday Morning Club: Coffee morning, Holly Tree, 10 am – noon.
Tue	5	Song Circle meets at Old Bakehouse, New Street. 7.30 pm.
Wed	6	Monday Morning Club: Bus for *Twelfth Night* leaves Market Place at 6.15 pm.
Thu	7	DoL Triennial Review, Crown & Tuns, Deddington. 6.30 pm. (p.13)
Sat	9	British Legion Club: *Cooking on Gas* (Live music), 8.45 pm.
Tue	12	WI: *Great Ormond Street Hospital,* Professor K Holt, Holly Tree, 7.30 pm.
Wed	13	Friendship Club: Carpet Bowls afternoon, Windmill Centre, 2.30 pm.
Wed	13	Deddington History Society: visit to Aynhoe Park.
Sat	16	Deddington Beeches Bowls Club: Open Day from 10.30 am. (p.6)
Tue	19	**COPY DATE FOR JULY DEDDINGTON NEWS**
Tue	19	Song Circle meets at theOld Bakehouse, New Street, 7.30 pm
Wed	20	Parish Council Meeting, Town hall, 7 30 pm.
Fri	22	British Legion Club outing to Ascot with evening entertainment.
Wed	27	Friendship Club outing.

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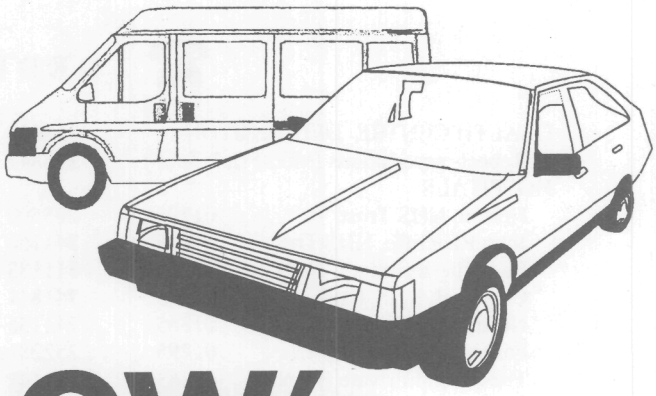

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